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APART FROM COOKING, LAUNDRY, CLEANING, AND OTHER BASIC FUNCTIONS, THEY CAN SINGLE-HANDEDLY CARE FOR THE ELDERLY: THE BEST-SELLING HUMANOID ROBOT!

WE SINCERELY HOPE YOU'LL ADD THEM AS A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY!

S
MILL

ARGE

OUR LONG-AWAITED THIRD GENERATION ROBOT IS FINALLY AVAILABLE FOR SALE!

M
IDDLE

I'M REALLY JEALOUS

SHUT UP.

QUIT CONSTANTLY LYING ABOUT. DO SOME DAMN HOUSEWORK!

I SHOULD SAY

THE FIRST GENERATION ROBOT DEBUTED 15 YEARS AGO, AND TODAY THERE ARE 750 FAMILIES WITH A ROBOT...

I TOO, REALLY WANT A DEVOTED ROBOT LIKE THAT.

HEY, YOU'RE BLOCKING THE TV.

... ANYONE
WOULD BE
BETTER
THAN THIS
PIECE OF
JUNK.

SHUT UP,
I DON'T
WANNA.

EHHH!!!

PLEASE! AT
LEAST HELP
COOK A
BIT...

I RAN AWAY
FROM HOME
PRECISELY
BECAUSE I
DON'T LIKE
BEING
ORDERED AROUND.

I GUESS
IT CAN'T
BE
HELPED...

HOW ABOUT
YOU TAKE
CARE OF
YOUR OWN
PROBLEMS?

THIS
BITCH...

ISN'T
THIS
WHAT
YOU'RE
BUILT
TO
DO?!

NOPE. ::

JUST LOOK
AT THIS BILL,
WOULD YOU
JUST DO
SOME WORK
TO PAY ME
BACK A BIT?

DO YOU
KNOW
WHAT
THIS
MIGHT
BE?

LATIN-
SAN..

HER
NAME
WAS
LATIN.

ONE
MONTH
AGO,

I, WATANABE SHINYA,
ENCOUNTERED THIS
SELF-PROCLAIMED
RUNAWAY ROBOT IN
FRONT OF THE
RENTAL OFFICE.

I
DUNNO

BECAUSE I
COULDN'T BEAR
IT, I LET HER
INTO MY HOME...
BUT...





OUR FIGHTS WERE WITHOUT END...

...AND IN THIS WAY,

HMPH... WHATEVER YOU SAY.

SOMETHING THAT'S ALIVE... I CAN'T THROW IT AWAY.

米歐美略兩

AND IT WAS BLONDE! AND HE LIVES ALONE!? ISN'T IT SICK!?"

I ALWAYS THOUGHT HE WAS HIDING SOMETHING IN HIS ROOM, AND IT TURNED OUT TO BE A ROBOT GIRL!!!

NO WAY! MY EX IS SUPER AWFUL!

QUIT IT, YOU REEK OF BOOZE, YOU'VE HAD TOO MUCH.

YEAH...

WATANABE-KUN, DO YOU WANNA GO OUT WIF ME!?





I STILL
CAN'T
FORGET
WHAT
HAPPENED.



A
PHOTO?

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THE FIGURE IN
THE PICTURE
WAS NONE
OTHER THAN
LATIN.

BUT...
COMPARED
TO THE
LATIN I
KNOW...
THEY COULD
HAVE BEEN
TWO
DIFFERENT
PEOPLE.

MM...

JUST WHAT
IS...!?

THE HELL
YOU THINK
YOU'RE
LOOKING
AT?!

GIMME!!

IS THAT
THE
FAMILY YOU
MENTIONED?

SERIOUSLY...

SEEING YOU
LOOKING THAT
HAPPY, HOW
COULD YOU
HAVE RUN
AWAY?

BUT I
DON'T
THINK
THAT'S IT.

BECAUSE YOU
WERE TIRED
OF THOSE
PEOPLE?

I
REMEMBER,
DIDN'T
YOU SAY
YOU
RAN AWAY?

IT COULDN'T
BE THAT
THIS
PICTURE OF
DEVASTATION

COULD ALSO
BEAR THAT
HAPPY
EXPRESSION.

I DIDN'T
RUN
AWAY...

I
WAS...

THAT'S
RIGHT.

BUT IT CAN'T
BE THAT
MORE THAN A
MONTH HAS
PASSED
WITHOUT ANY
CONTACT.

SHUT
UP!

BECAUSE OF
A FIGHT I
LEFT, AND
THIS
SITUATION
CAME TO BE.

LATIN

BY
THEM!!

I WAS
THROWN
OUT...

WHEN I CAME
TO, I WAS
ALREADY IN A
TRUCK BEING
HAULED AWAY...

I DON'T
REMEMBER...
ABOUT THIS
PHOTO.

SO I DON'T
REMEMBER ANY OF
THEIR FACES, NOR
DO I KNOW WHY
I'M HERE.

ABANDONED
ROBOTS WILL HAVE
THEIR MEMORIES
ERASED...

BUT ...

WHETHER BEING
TOTALLY
IGNORANT OF
THIS WOULD BE
A BLESSING,
I'M NOT SURE...



WHY ...
!?

IT'S
OBVIOUS I
WAS
CHERISHED...

I'VE ALWAYS
WANTED TO
KNOW WHY...
BUT AT THE
SAME TIME
TERRIFIED TO
KNOW THE
TRUTH...

LATIN,
TAKE A
LOOK.

A
PHOTO...?

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SO
BEAUTIFUL...



EHH!?

SHE WAS A
ROBOT JUST
LIKE YOU.



AND SHE
WAS
ALSO...



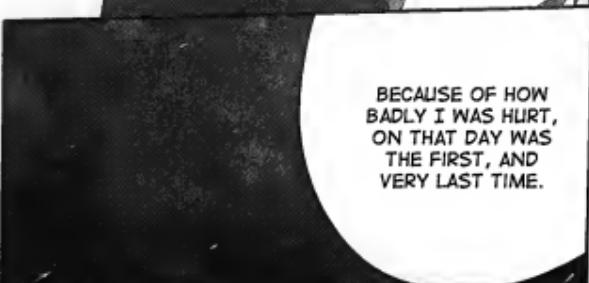
SINCE MY
PARENTS
BOTH
WORKED, SHE
WAS THE ONE
LOOKING
AFTER ME.



THROWN
AWAY.



ONE DAY,
SUDDENLY...



BECAUSE OF HOW
BADLY I WAS HURT,
ON THAT DAY WAS
THE FIRST, AND
VERY LAST TIME.



SHE'S THE
ONE WHO
BROUGHT ME
UP...

YOU CAN
TELL JUST
BY LOOKING
AT THIS
PICTURE,

THE
CHILDREN
CERTAINLY
LOVE YOU.

REST
ASSURED.

TO BE
SEPARATED
FROM THE
PERSON YOU
LOVE... IT'S
REALLY
PAINFUL?

LATIN,

IT'S
REALLY
PAINFUL
RIGHT?

AND SOME-
DAY... I'LL
HAVE YOU
AND YOUR
FAMILY
REUNITE.

I WON'T
DISCARD
YOU.



THANK
YOU...

JUST BY
PUTTING IN
LATIN, THERE
MAY COME A
DAY WHEN
THE CHILDREN
COME
LOOKING FOR
HER.

IN FACT, THERE ARE
QUITE A LOT OF
PEOPLE SEARCHING
FOR MISSING OR
DISCARDED ROBOTS.

FROM THAT
DAY
FORWARD,
WE
EMBARKED
UPON A NEW
DAILY LIFE.



BECAUSE
WE DIDN'T
HAVE ANY
FRIENDSHIP,
WE COULD
ONLY,
LITTLE BY
LITTLE...

THEN, I
STARTED
REPAIRING
HER BODY.

TO THAT
INCREDIBLE
PERIOD.

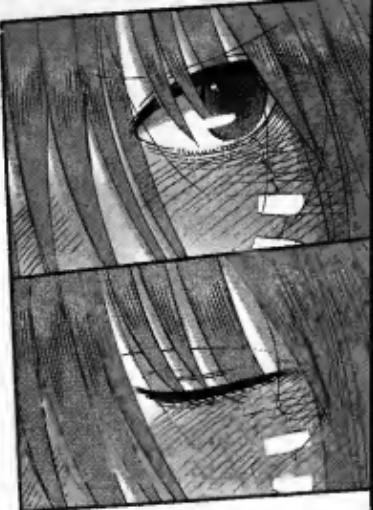
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PERHAPS
MOVING
BACKWARDS,

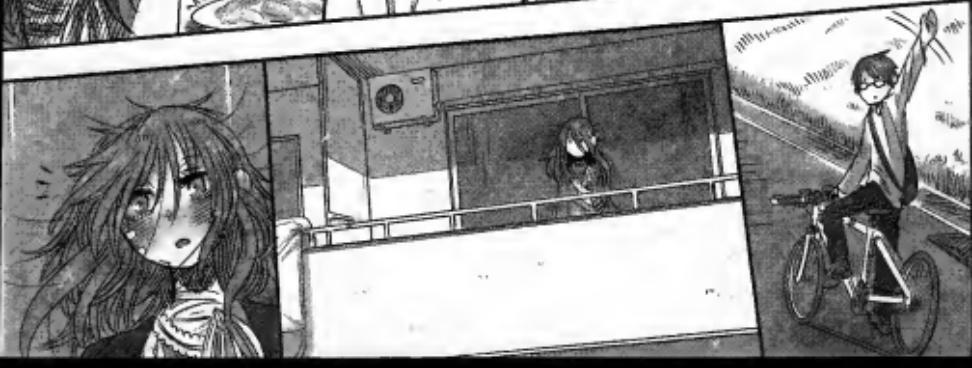
... SPEND
TIME
TOGETHER
AS
THOUGH
MOVING
TOWARDS
A FUTURE,

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...













WHAT?! I'M
EMBARRASSED
TOO.

COME
ON.

THEN CAN YOU
WORK ON ME A
LITTLE?

I GOT IT,
I
GOT IT
ALREADY.

OH,
OKAY.

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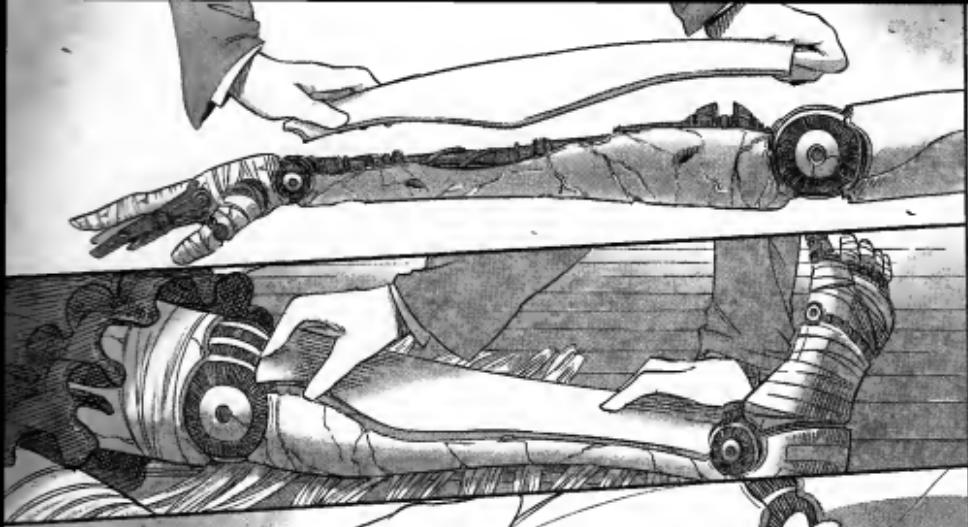
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SAY IT...

DUNNO WHY, BUT LATELY I KEEP FORGETTING YOU AREN'T HUMAN...

JUST WHAT IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

TH... THERE'S NO SPECIAL MEANING!

偷瞄

OH~?





NOTHING.



WATANABE'S
NAPPING...

I'LL COOK
FOR HIM
AGAIN AS A
SURPRISE.

SFX: PANTING

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LATIN!

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WE'RE A TWO INCOME FAMILY, SO THERE WAS NEVER TIME TO PLAY WITH THE KIDS,

...AM I NOT ONE BIT HAPPY!?

I'D WANTED TO SEE THEM AGAIN SO BADLY...

SO WE BOUGHT YOU, LATIN, TO CARE FOR THEM.

BUT WE REALIZED WE'D DONE WRONG— SINCE THEN OUR CHILDREN HAVE SHUT THEMSELVES UP IN THEIR ROOMS...

I KNOW THIS IS SELFISH,

IN TIME WE EVEN GREW TO HATE YOU...

MORE THAN ANY PAIN WE'D EVER FELT...

BUT WHEN WE FOUND OUT THAT THE CHILDREN WERE CLOSER TO YOU THAN US...

AND EVEN THREW YOU AWAY.

BUT AS PARENTS WE CANNOT BEAR TO SEE OUR CHILDREN'S HURT FACES ONCE MORE!!!!

THIS WAS MORE THAN WE COULD BEAR

WE COULDN'T HANDLE IT...

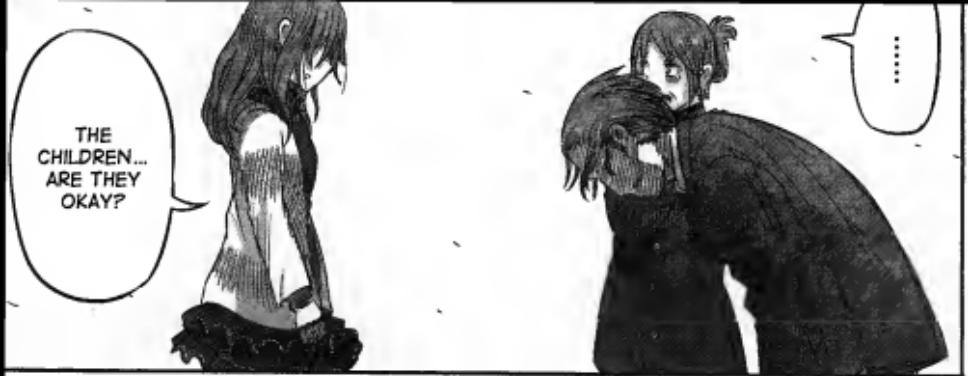
PLEASE
COME
BACK.....!!

WE'RE
BEGGING
YOU!!!

LATIN!!!!

WE
NEED
YOU.....!!!





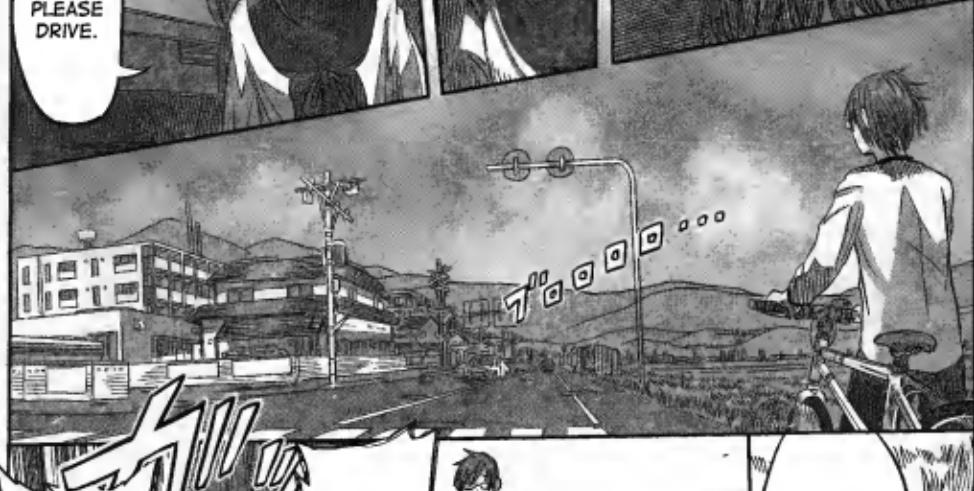
WHAT'S
WRONG?

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PLEASE
DRIVE.

LATIN!



IT
CAN'T
BE
LIKE
THIS!!

EVEN
SO,

COULD
THEY BE
HER OLD
OWNERS?



THEY
CAME?







WATANABE

LATIN!!!

WE LIVED
TOGETHER
FOR SO
MANY
MONTHS!

...

THEN DON'T
JUST
LEAVE
WITHOUT
SAYING
GOODBYE!

YOU REALLY
WANT TO
GO BACK TO
YOUR OLD
FAMILY?

BUT... THIS
MAKES ME
FEEL
HAPPY!!!

ONLY CALL-
ING ME
BACK
NOW...

I... I
DON'T
KNOW
WHAT TO
DO NOW!

I THINK IT'D
JUST HAVE
ENDED UP
BEING US
EACH SAYING
OUR OWN
PIECE...

THAT
PICTURE...

SO IT'S OKAY
FOR ME TO GO
BACK LIKE
THIS...

IT CAN BE LIKE
THAT PICTURE,
TOGETHER WITH
THE FAMILY AND
HAPPY,

IF I JUST
FORGIVE IT
ALL,

BUT...



THE TIME WE
SPENT
TOGETHER
WAS SO
HAPPY...



I JUST
WANT TO BE
WITH YOU
ALWAYS...



I JUST
DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO DO
TO MAKE
THINGS
RIGHT!



I WANT TO
WATCH
AFTER YOU
ALWAYS!

LATIN...





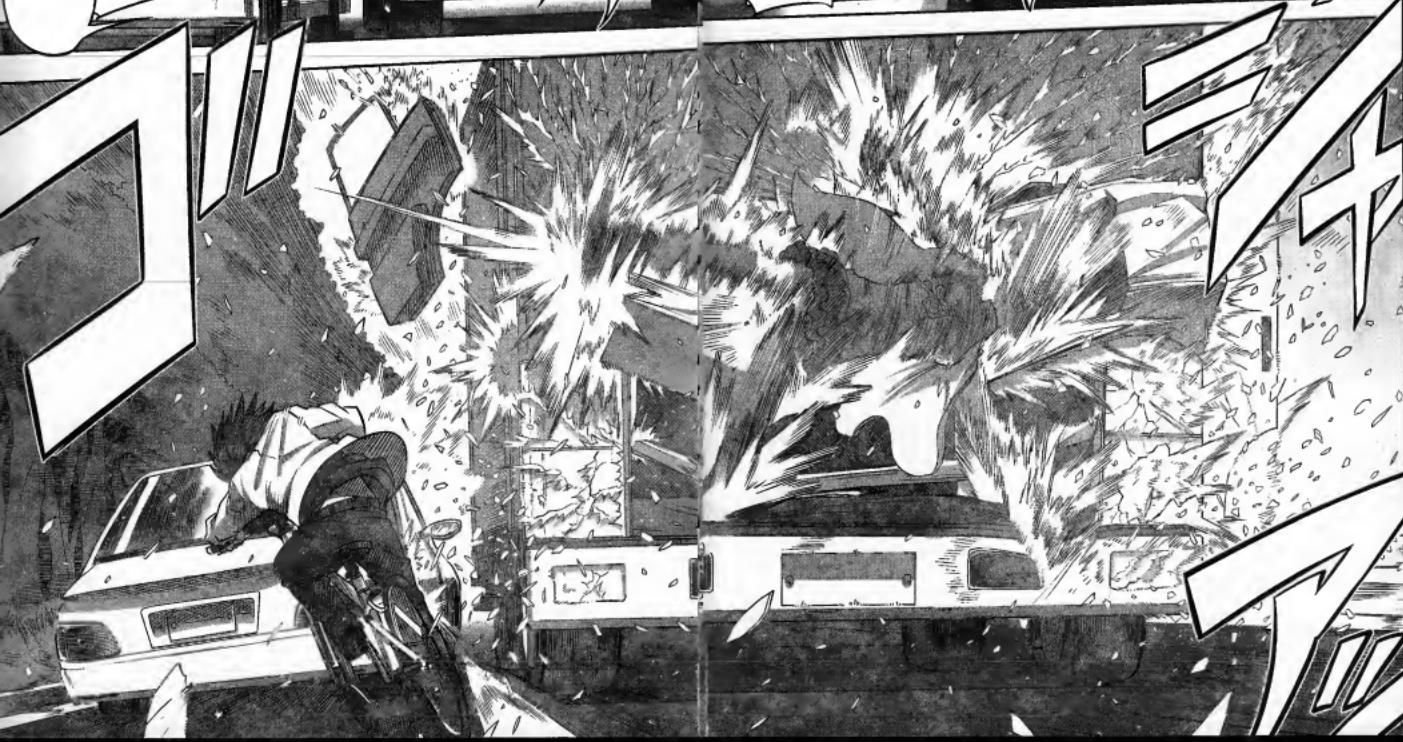
COME
ON!

OKAY!



LATIN!
I LOVE
YOU!

...







CAN YOU
HELP FIX ME
UP AGAIN?

HEY NOW...

AND
SENT
BACK
PHOTOS.

NOW,
PROBABLY
FOR A
WEEK, THE
THREE
WOULD
MEET

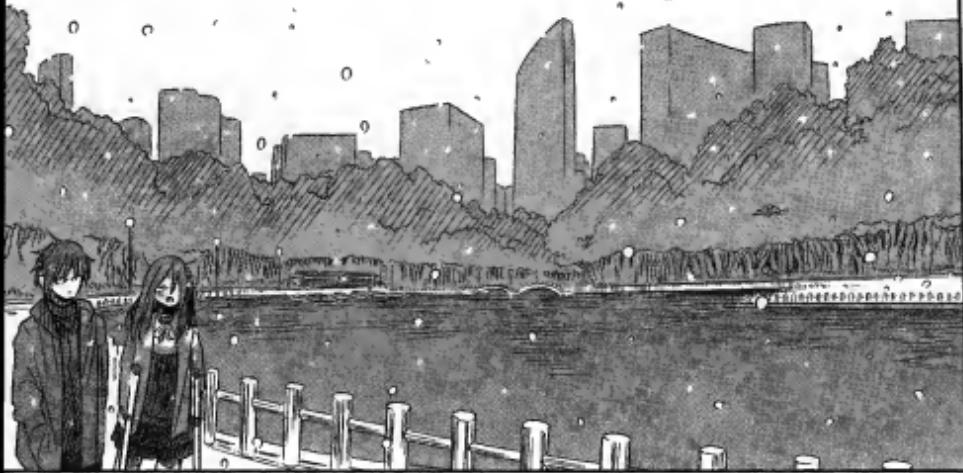
BUT SHE'D
VISIT
FROM
TIME TO
TIME.

IN THE END,
LATIN
DECIDED
NOT TO
RETURN TO
THAT HOME.

SOME-
THING
REALLY
HAS
CHANGED.

LOOKING
BACK ON
OUR
EVERYDAY
LIFE,

THEN, IT
WAS JUST
LIKE
BEFORE.
REPAIRING
HER AGAIN
EVERY DAY.





IF I HAD
TO THINK
BACK ON
IT ALL...

LATIN'S
WARMTH
PASSED
BETWEEN OUR
LOCKED ARMS
AND TOUCHED
MY HEART.

IN THE
FINE
SNOW

WHILE
THERE
WERE
TIMES
WHEN
WE'D
FIGHT...

THAT
HAVING
MET HER
WAS
TRULY
WONDERFUL

NOW, I CAN
DEFINITELY
SAY

ON THAT
DAY IT WAS
NICE TO
MEET HER

END



161cm
84kg

◎ 也想過女僕造型